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SUBJ: VISIT OF DEPUTY ASST SECRETARY ROY MAOREY

PARIS FOR NESCO

1. IN ACTIVE VISIT TO DAKAR, MAR 6-7, DR MOREY MANAGED MAKE MIXED SOCIAL AND BUSINESS CONTACTS WITH VARIETY OF SENEGALESE AND LOCAL UN FIGURES. THESE INCLUDED GOS FONMIN DIR OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS YOUSSEPH SYLLA AND OF UN AFFAIRS LOUIS FALL, ACTING UNDP REP VIKTOR FURST AND HIS DEPUTY, JAN EDELINE (AN AMCIT SOON TO BECOME UN RESREP FOR RWANDA), UNHCR REP ZARJEVSKI, ILO ACTING REP MOSTAFAVI, AND TWO MEETINGS WITH UNESCO REP BAKARY KAMIAN, WHOSE REGIONAL OFFICE COVERS 35 AFRICAN COUNTRIES. ADDITIONAL BRIEFINGS WERE HELD WITH LOCAL USAID OFFICIALS, HEADED BY RDO DAVID MCADAMS, IN WHICH BOTH UN AND US REACTIONS TO CURRENT SAHEL DROUGHT PROBLEMS WERE EVALUATED.

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2. IN ABOVE DISCUSSIONS, AN OBVIOUS UNDERLYING TOPIC OF GENERAL INTEREST WAS UNESCO DG SUCCESSION, ON WHICH EMBASSY VIEWS ARE REPORTED SEPTEL (SEEN IN DRAFT BY DR MOREY). WOULD STRESS THAT WHILE EVERYONE LOCALLY OBVIOUSLY ENTHUSIASTICALLY SUPPORTING M'BOW CANDIDACY, NONE OF CONTACTS SOUGHT TO PRESS DR MOREY ON US POSITION. ON CONTRARY, HIS PRESENCE ELICITED CERTAIN BITS AND PIECES OF CURRENT STATE OF PLAY DESCRIBED IN SEPTEL. HE ALSO MANAGED DISCUSS LOCAL GUINEA-BISSAU REFUGEE SITUATION, AND TOURED IMPRESSIVE REGIONAL UNESCO OFFICE AS KAMIAN'S GUEST.

3. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH BY MUTUAL CONSENT AND DESIRE VISIT WAS PLAYED IN LOW KEY, IT OBVIOUS BOTH GOS AND LOCAL UN OFFICIALS HEARTILY APPRECIATED VISIT OF A SUBSTANTIVE USG FIGURE IN FIELD IO AFFAIRS. ADDITIONALLY, COUNTRY TEAM BENEFITED BY HIS INSIGHTS INTO DEPARTMENT VIEWS ON LIKELY UPCOMING UN ISSUES. WE HOPE WE CAN EXPECT FUTURE VISITS FROM IO AND USUN FIGURES AS THEIR SCHEDULES PERMIT. AGGREY

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